

The North Providence School Committee met on August 28, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Conference Room at the High School. Members present were Chairman Marciano, Mr. Cataldi, Mr. Iannetta, Mr. Palmieri, Mrs. Picard, Mr. DaSilva and Mr. Andreozzi. Also present were Superintendent Smith, Mr. McNamee, Ms. Jacques and Mr. Henneous. Dr. Carson and Mr. Wright were present for the Regular Session only. Appropriate disclosure was made by the Chair concerning compliance with R.I. General Laws 42-46-(4)&(5) indicating that any person to be discussed had been appropriately notified.

Motion by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Picard and carried to go into open session at 6:30 p.m. The regular session was recessed to go into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. The open session reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

#### II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The Chair led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence dedicated to one of the students who was killed, Justin Santiago and the Oklahoma tragedy.

III. CHAIR TO REPORT OUT ANY VOTES TAKEN IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECEIVE MOTION BY COMMITTEE MEMBER TO SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION+ MINUTES PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF RIGL 42-46-(4) & (5).

The Chair reported that there were no votes taken in Executive Session.

#### IV. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

### V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS 3-4.

A member of the audience asked about who is now handling the use

of property requests.

Next, Mayor Lombardi thanked the members of the Committee and the custodians for working together on the school buildings. Everyone really stepped up to the plate. He thanked everyone for their cooperation.

#### VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Superintendent's Communication.

No communication was received.

## 2. Monthly Financial Report.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to approve the Monthly Financial Report as submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. lannetta and carried to approve the Monthly Financial Report as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

# 3. Home Schooling.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant the Home Schooling Requests as submitted. Motion by Mr. lannetta, seconded

by Mr. Palmieri and carried by a vote of 5-2 to grant the Home Schooling Requests as submitted. Mrs. Picard and Mr. Cataldi voted nay to the motion.

4. Field Trips.

No field trip requests were received.

5. Administrators' Contracts.

Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mr. lannetta and carried to approve the Administrators' Contracts as discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Palmieri spoke about the fact that most of the Administrators' are doing an exemplary job.

**VII. SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORTS.** 

No reports were received.

# **VIII. REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COMMITTEE**

### 1. Discussion of School Uniforms - S. Andreozzi.

Mr. Andreozzi spoke about the possibility of initiating a school uniform policy based on the model used by Central Falls, who used several uniform choices. He spoke about the possibility of starting with the elementary schools to see how it goes. He suggested that the discussion start with the PTOs and the principals. Members of the Committee offered suggestions. Mr. Andreozzi spoke about students being sent home today for inappropriate clothing. Some members suggested a survey to determine if there is support for uniforms.

# 2. Lock and Chain on Greystone Parking Lot – S. Andreozzi.

Mr. Andreozzi spoke about the situation with the Greystone parking lot. Discussion took place regarding possible solutions. There was a general consensus to change the lock and provide a key to the Jets, Mr. Feoli, and the Fire Department.

3. Use of Baseball Fields, Parking, Signs, etc. – S. Andreozzi.

Mr. Andreozzi talked about the policy of no vehicles on the high school field and the fact that vehicles are parking behind the backstop. Mr. Zamarelli explained that there are no vehicles parking on the field itself. Mr. Andreozzi thanked Mr. Zamarelli for the clarification.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bids.

No bids were received.

## 2. Resignations.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to the Resignation as submitted. Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mr. Andreozzi and carried to grant advice and consent to the Resignation(s) as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

### 3. Retirements.

No retirements were received.

### 4. Leaves of Absence.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to the Leaves of Absence as submitted. Motion by Mrs.

Picard, seconded by Mr. Andreozzi and carried to approve the Leave of Absence Requests as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

## 5. Layoff(s)/Non-Renewal(s)

There were no Layoff(s)/Non-Renewals.

## 6. Appointments.

Superintendent Smith asked for the advice and consent of the Committee to approve the appointment of Susan Baggeesen – Crossing Guard – Marieville Elementary School – Post – Charles Street and Cooper Street Effective August 27, 2013, Danielle Brien – Grade 1 Elementary Teacher – WhelanElementary School – 4th Step/BA Effective August 26, 2013, Steven Muccino – Assistant Swim Coach – NPHS (1 Year) Effective for the 2013/2014 Season Only, Arianna Petrocelli – Special Education/Resource Teacher – Greystone Elementary School – 2nd Step/BA – 1 Semester Only Effective August 26, 2013 through January 17, 2014. Motion by Mr. lanetta, seconded by Mrs. Picard and Mr. DaSilva and carried to grant advice and consent to the Appointments as presented. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

The Chair asked the appointees to stand and receive recognition and applause.

## 7. Layoffs/Non-Renewals.

Smith Superintendent recommended approval of the Layoff(s)/Non-Renewals as Submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded Mr. lannetta and carried by to approve the Layoffs/Non-Renewals as submitted. The motion carried bv unanimous consent.

# 8. Layoff Recission(s).

Superintendent Smith asked for the advice and consent of the Committee to approve the Layoff Rescission(s) as submitted. Motion by Mr. Cataldi, seconded by Mr. DaSilva and carried to approve the Layoff Recission(s) as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

# 9. Lock and Chain on Greystone Parking Lot.

Motion by Mr. Andreozzi, seconded by Mr. lannetta and carried to approve the lock and chain on Greystone Parking Lot as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

# 10. Use of Baseball Fields, Parking, Signs, etc.

Motion by Mr. Andreozzi, seconded by Mr. lannetta and carried by unanimous consent to approve the use of signs on the fields regarding parking on the field.

#### X. OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business was presented.

#### XI. USE OF PROPERTY

Superintendent Smith recommended approval of the Use of Property Requests as submitted. Motion by Mr. lannetta, seconded by Mrs. Picard and carried to approve the Use of Property Requests as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

#### XII. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Superintendent Smith recommended approval of the August 2013 List of Bills as presented and submitted to the Committee. Motion by Mr. lannetta, seconded by Mrs. Picard and carried to approve the August 2013 List of Bills as presented. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

#### XIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. lannetta and carried to approve and seal the Minutes of the July 24, 2013 School Committee Executive Session as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Motion by Mr. lannetta, seconded by Mr. Palmieri and carried to approve the Minutes of the July 24, 2013 and July 29, 2013 School Committee Meetings as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Motion by Mr. lannetta, seconded by Mr. Andreozzi and Mr. Cataldi and carried to approve and seal the Minutes of the June 24, 2013 Executive Session as submitted. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS IN AGENDA ITEMS 7 - 13.

No public comments were received.

## **XV. PENDING BUSINESS**

No pending business was discussed.

### XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. Andreozzi and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margie Caranci
Recording Secretary of the North Providence
School Committee

**Date Submitted to Committee:** 

**Date Approved by the Committee:**